PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 691.6, the Department of Public Health hereby amends Chapter 126, "State Medical Examiner," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment clarifies that the fees collected under subrule 126.3(1) are considered repayment receipts. The amendment also letters paragraphs within the subrule.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the October 5, 2011, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 9771B**. No written comments were received. The amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

The State Board of Health adopted this amendment on November 9, 2011.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 691.6.

This amendment will become effective on January 4, 2012.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend subrule 126.3(1) as follows:

- **126.3(1)** *Fee schedule.* The fees collected under this subrule shall be considered repayment receipts as defined in Iowa Code section 8.2.
 - a. The following fees shall apply to autopsies conducted by the state medical examiner:

Autopsy	\$1400
Copies of reports	\$20

EXCEPTIONS: A copy of the autopsy report is automatically sent to the county medical examiner and to the county attorney without fee. A single copy of an autopsy report may be provided to the immediate next of kin of the deceased without fee. Copies of autopsy reports may be provided to public officials and physicians of record for official purposes without fee.

<u>b.</u> The following fee is for time spent reviewing case materials, preparing for deposition or court, testifying in deposition or court, and travel time.

State, deputy, or associate medical examiner(s)	
time for all court cases	\$450 per hour with a one-hour minimum

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<u>c.</u> A cremation permit fee of \$75 will be assessed for each permit investigated and authorized by the state medical examiner's office.

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